

Dear Parent/Carer,

During another busy half term at Cowes Enterprise College, there has been some excellent work undertaken by our students across the academy. I have had the pleasure of regularly talking to our students about their studies and it is inspiring to see the pride so many take in producing well-presented and high quality pieces of work.

As we look to further increase the independence of our students, as of next half term we have taken the decision to ask our students to take greater ownership of the work they are producing by taking more responsibility for their exercise books.

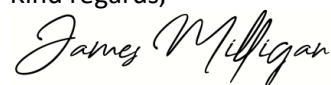
Recently, in most cases teachers have generally kept students' exercise books in school. However, we are keen to showcase the fantastic progress our students are making by providing you as parents and carers with more opportunities to see their work and ask questions about it. We really want you to see the excellent work students produce on a daily basis in each of their subjects.

As such, students will be asked to take their books home and be responsible for their safekeeping. We are also very pleased to make this change as we are also responding directly to parental survey feedback that parents and carers want to see students' exercise books at home.

For some students, this added responsibility may be challenging initially, but with organisation, practice and time, we are confident that all students are capable of taking ownership of their exercise books. To support this end, it may be appropriate for you to review whether your child's school bag is capable of carrying a selection of books to and from school each day.

Further, we are also providing the opportunity for our students to access lockers which they can use to store their books. Should you wish to gain access to an on-site locker for your child, please see the additional letter attached from Stephen Williams, Facilities Manager. Should your child be in receipt of free school meals or in case you are unable to pay the access fee for a locker, please contact [info@cowesec.org](mailto:info@cowesec.org).

Kind regards,



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